

# NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

## PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2014

### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:17 a.m. in the Hudson Conference Room, 6th floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey by Chair Dr. Dawn Hall Apgar.

### II. ROLL CALL

#### **Present:**

Dawn Hall Apgar, Ph.D., LSW (Chair)

Paul J. St. Onge, Esq.

Maureen Braun Scalera, MSW, LCSW (Vice-Chair)

Deanna Sperling, MS, RN

Patricia McKernan, MSW, LSW

Philip McCabe, CSW, CAS, CDVC, DRCC

Lisa Eileen Cox, Ph.D., LCSW (arrived at 11:23 a.m.)

#### **Absent:**

Elizabeth Bowman, MSS, LCSW

Carolyn Bradley, Ph.D., LCSW, LMFT, LCADC

Michelle Borden, MSW, LCSW, CSWM, DRCC

#### **Also attending:**

Jodi Krugman, Deputy Attorney General

J. Michael Walker, Executive Director

Michela Ross, Government Rep

Theresa Brundage, Administrative Staff

### **Announcement of Quorum**

Chair Dr. Apgar announced the presence of a quorum at 10:18 a.m.

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing to the Office of the Secretary of State, The Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Record and The Courier Post.

### III. SWEARING IN OF NEW MEMBERS

DAG Krugman, swore in the following new Board members: Ms. Deana Sperling, Ms. Patricia McKernan, Mr. Philip McCabe, and Dr. Lisa Cox.

**IV. REVIEW OF MINUTES**

**A. July 9, 2014 Public Minutes**

*Upon motion by Mr. St. Onge, seconded by Ms. Braun Scalera, the Board voted to approve the July 9, 2014 public session minutes. Voting in favor: all.*

**B. August 13, 2014 Public Minutes**

*Upon motion by Ms. Braun Scalera, seconded by Mr. St. Onge, the Board voted to approve the August 13, 2014 public session minutes as corrected. Voting in favor: all.*

**V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director J. Michael Walker informed the Board that the renewal period has closed and that the thirty (30) day grace period has begun in which there is a \$100 late fee. Dr. Walker also informed the Board that before the renewal period there was a total of more than 19,000 active social workers.

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Members of the Public in attendance:

**A. Mary Jean Weston, LCSW, Assistant Executive Director, NASW-NJ-**  
introduced herself to the new Board members.

**B. Brandon Green, Student Intern, NASW-NJ -** introduced himself to the Board.

**VII. REVIEW OF CLINICAL SUPERVISORS' CREDENTIALS**

*Upon motion by Mr. St. Onge, seconded by Ms. Braun Scalera, the Board voted to approve the supervisors presented because the applicants hold current LCSW licenses in other states. Voting in favor: all.*

**VIII. VOTE ON CANDIDATES PROPOSED FOR CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE**

*Upon motion made by Ms. Braun Scalera, seconded by Ms. McKernan, the Board voted to approve the following candidates as qualified in their category based on review of their application documents and in accordance with the Statute and Regulations and subject to review in the cases of pending criminal history background checks. Voting in favor: all.*

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**LCSW APPLICATIONS:**

**Criminal History Background Check - COMPLETED:**

Laura Auble  
Shalom Augenbaum  
Vincent Austin-Cole  
Elana A. Ausubel  
Bryan M. Balaban  
Elizabeth A. Britton  
Marian Couceiro  
Ashley A. DeLorenzo  
Kara E. Ellis  
Julia Gomez-Blanco  
Jessica Jackson  
Emily Lohman-Spear  
Yonit Malina  
Brian Pollack  
Nathan S. Ridgley  
Erin B. Robbins  
Corrine A. Rose  
Otise Schuk  
Allison Turchio  
Dayle Wild

**Criminal History Background Check - PENDING:**

Cynthia Abbott  
Ann B. Broadbent  
Lindsay Conover  
Danielle C. Cristofano  
Jane Cruz  
April A. D'Alessio  
Olga DaSilva  
Sheesha Dave  
Andrew Dean  
Hillary S. Grennan  
Erin L. Guberman  
Lauren Hirsch  
Kelly Machione  
Deborah Mathis  
Dawn M. Nash  
Caroline A. O'Connell  
Cara F. Paolillo  
Meredith H. Razen

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Patti J. Sabla  
Margaret Schneider  
Jayne K. Spengler  
Samantha Tinter  
Dov Wilkes

**LSW APPLICATIONS:**

**Criminal History Background Check - COMPLETED:**

Shauntay Campbell  
Karen Colon  
John Flanagan  
Kristen Hoffman  
Cheryl Loddo  
James Mairtre  
Mallory Stufsky

**Criminal History Background Check - PENDING:**

Maisha Abdullah  
Deanna Ackerman  
Adebimpe Ajala  
Batsheva Berger  
Roshawada Berrian  
Jennifer Brucker  
Colleen Bulger  
Carol Burke  
Amy Cargill  
Donna Ceparano  
Anika Charles  
Steven Chen  
Jacqueline Collard  
Susan Cruz-Rautledge  
Alessandra Ducasse  
Lauren Eaton  
Toya Edmeade-Wright  
Tracey Fernandez  
Patrick Foran, Jr.  
Anne Galianese  
Marilyn Gerber  
Erin Gillespie  
Hillel Goldstein  
Robert Green  
Sarah Gregor  
Rebecca Henkin

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Amy Johnson  
Jill Jonas  
Colleen Keeser  
Briana Kelly  
Iva Kirzhner  
Lois Lawson-Briddell  
Kimberly Litvinow  
Jolene Lopez  
Alicia Lukachko  
Andrea Maisano  
Jacques Maitre  
Andrecia Maldonado  
Kerry McCarthy  
Beliza Mejia  
Lobsang Motoki  
Kelly O'Grady  
Samara Pallo  
Maureen Pake  
Beverly Regiswford-Henry  
Cari Rosenberg  
Brian Ruiz  
Marisa Schumann  
Chani Schwarz  
Elizabeth Sidlow  
Amanda Somers  
Aliza Tammam  
Beatriz WarWra  
Melanie Welter  
Robert Whitekettle, Jr.

**CSW APPLICATIONS:**

**Criminal History Background Check - COMPLETED:**

Milagros W. Cruz  
Lydia K. Essilfie  
Stefanie D. Grossett  
Kerri M. Johnson  
Pieranyeli Pena  
Yolanda A. Velez-Padilla

**Criminal History Background Check - PENDING:**

Kimberly Ambrose  
Lashonda Buckner  
Onika Burrowes

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Inga Cameron  
Jantoya Canion  
Cleide Cureton  
Mick P. Daity  
LiSandra L. Davila  
Angela L. DePaola  
Patricia B. Duverne  
Angela S. Ellerbe  
Laverne Fennell  
Alexandria Ferencz  
Nina Y. Ghilino  
Danisha L. Golden  
Blanca M Gonzalez  
Jonathon Harmon  
Ambber C. Hans  
Sharonda Hogans  
Olatiewa Ifesanya  
Mariam Jaber  
Kellie Johnson  
Camillia Jones  
Ashley Kaminiski  
Carmen Letren  
Nina Masco  
Angela Mastropiero  
Hadas Mavashev  
Megan O'Neill  
Emily Perez  
Deshonda Renfro  
Kelsey Robinson  
Rasheeda Roundtree  
Ziomara Serrano  
Lindberg Simpson  
Brendaliz Veras  
Cyd Williams  
Cassie Wishnoff

## **IX. CONTINUING EDUCATION**

### **A. Continuing Education (CE's) Review**

*Upon motion by Ms. Braun Scalera, seconded by Mr. McCabe, the Board voted to approve the continuing education courses presented by Trinitas Regional Medical Center SCCAT entitled "Listen Up and Learn Strategies that will Improve the Lives & Individuals You Work With" and "Through the Lens of Childhood." Voting in favor: all.*

*Dr. Apgar abstained because of an employment conflict.*

**X. CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. New Jersey Association of Health Care Social Workers (NJAHCSW)** - The Board reviewed NJAHCSW's August 11, 2014 letter regarding continuing education (CE's). *Upon motion by Ms. Braun Scalera, seconded by Mr. St. Onge, the Board voted to inform NJAHCSW that the CE's they are providing fall under N.J.A.C. 13:44G6.4. Voting in favor: all.*
- B. Nicole E. Malick, LSW** - The Board reviewed Ms. Malick's August 16, 2014 lettering requesting an extension to renew her LSW due to her job in Kabul, Afghanistan. In the interim between Ms. Malick made her request and the Board meeting, Ms. Malick was able to access the internet and renew her license. *The Board accepted this as informational.*
- C. Mary Jean Weston, LCSW**- The Board reviewed MS. Weston's August 6, 2014 e-mail regarding a question from the New Jersey Association of Health Care Social Workers (NJAHCSW). *See item "A" under "Correspondence.*
- D. Curriculum Vitae for New Board members** - The Board reviewed the curriculum vitae for the new Board members. *The Board accepted this as informational.*

- XI. I/M/O - Monica McGoldrick, LCSW**- The Board review the August 1, 2014 letter from Ms. McGoldrick's attorney, Mr. David Barry, LSW and certificates of continuing education completion in compliance with the May 14, 2014 filed Consent Order. *The Board accepted this as informational.*

**XII. MEETING DATES FOR 2014**

*please note: all meetings will begin at 9:30 a.m.*

October 8, 2014- Monmouth Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> FL

November 12, 2014- Hudson Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> FL

December 10, 2014- Hudson Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> FL

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

*Public session closed at 11:27 a.m. and the Board moved to executive session upon motion by Mr. St. Onge, seconded by Ms. Braun Scalera. The Board re-entered public*

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*session at 2:10 p.m. to adjourn the meeting by unanimous consent.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Dawn Hall Apgar, Ph.D., LSW

Chair